



Louisiana Crop Values Report

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The following are the survey results from the 2015 crop year marketings and monthly prices. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in more detailed reports at the Internet address above. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

2015 Louisiana Total Value of Production for Principal Field Crops (Excluding Sugarcane) Down 23 Percent

The value of production for principal field crops in Louisiana during 2015 totaled \$1.85 billion, down 23 percent from \$2.39 billion in 2014. The top three crop commodities (excluding sugarcane); corn, rice and soybeans, accounted for 80 percent of the total value of production for principal field crops. All principal field crops in Louisiana, with the exception of hay and sweet potatoes showed decreases in value of production from 2014. Wheat in Louisiana showed the largest percentage decrease from 2014 at 72 percent, followed by cotton at 57 percent and cottonseed at 43 percent. Sweet potatoes showed the largest increase at 18 percent in value of production from last year followed by hay at 3 percent.

At the national level, the value of production for principal field crops was down 9 percent, at \$136 billion, from 2014. Corn, at \$49 billion, was the leading field crop followed by soybeans at \$34.5 billion and all hay at \$16.8 billion.

Principal Field Crops: Marketing Year Average Prices and Value of Production, Louisiana and U.S., 2014-2015

Commodity	Unit	Louisiana					United States				
		Price per Unit		Value of Production			Price per Unit		Value of Production		
		2014	2015 ¹	2014	2015	% Change	2014	2015 ¹	2014	2015	% Change
		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>		
Corn, Grain	Bu.	4.15	4.00	296,186	266,760	- 10	3.70	3.60	52,951,760	49,038,819	- 7
Cotton, Upland ^{2,3}	Lb.	0.626	0.575	121,394	52,440	- 57	0.613	0.593	4,727,124	3,585,589	- 24
Cottonseed	Ton	195.00	239.00	27,105	15,535	- 43	194.00	227.00	1,015,607	942,234	- 7
Hay, All	Ton	100.00	121.00	126,900	130,075	+ 3	172.00	151.00	19,099,238	16,839,538	- 12
Rice, All	Cwt.	12.90	11.90	424,978	342,613	- 19	13.40	12.90	3,075,618	2,579,001	- 16
Sorghum, Grain	Cwt.	7.76	7.90	38,798	27,827	- 28	7.20	5.90	1,721,330	2,080,568	+ 21
Soybeans	Bu.	10.90	9.75	859,116	557,651	- 35	10.10	8.80	39,474,861	34,535,320	- 13
Sugarcane (sugar) ⁴	Ton	33.60	-	407,400	-	-	34.70	-	1,054,657	-	-
Sweet Potatoes	Cwt.	17.40	21.00	35,218	41,580	+ 18	23.90	23.10	706,916	716,553	+ 1
Wheat, All	Bu.	6.10	4.50	56,730	16,146	- 72	5.99	5.00	11,914,954	10,203,360	- 14

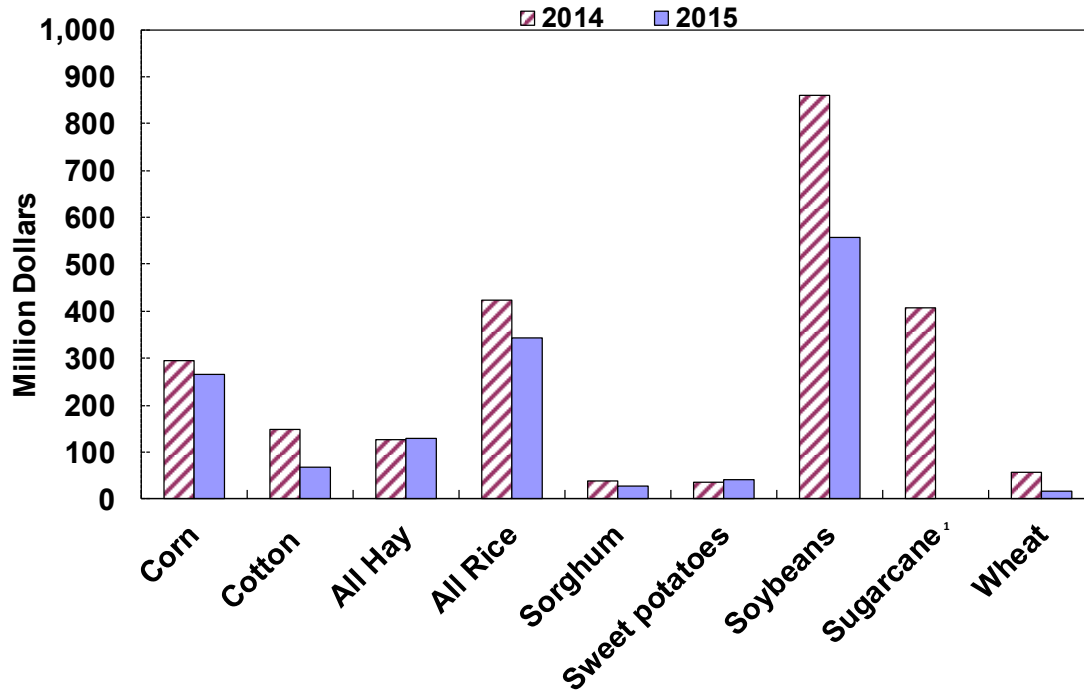
¹ 2015 marketing year average prices for field crops are preliminary and based on entire month price data through December 2015.

² Value based on a 480-pound net weight bale.

³ Based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2015-December 31, 2015.

⁴ State prices and values for 2015 will be published in *Crop Values* released February 2017.

Value of Production, Principal Field Crops (Excluding Sugarcane), Louisiana, 2014-2015



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Value of Production for Principal Field Crops (Excluding Sugarcane) and Percent of Total, Louisiana, 2015

Total Value: \$1.85 Billion

